

# Wheldale Newsletter



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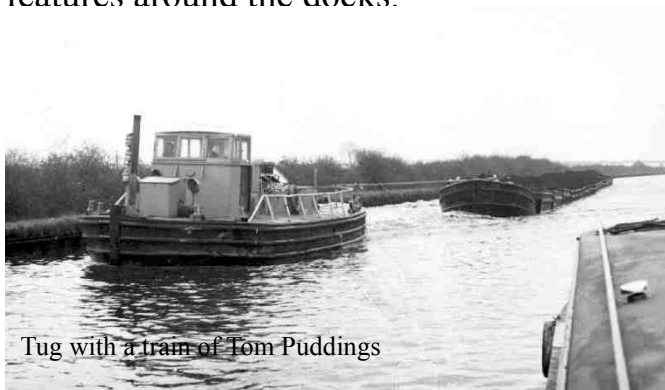
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## Wednesday June 7th—All Aboard the Wheldale !

The Wheldale Loco Support group have chartered the tug ‘Wheldale’ from the Yorkshire Waterways Museum, for a journey around Goole Docks.

We’ll be sailing from the museum quay at 1 p.m. on the 7th of June to see the docks and the unique container hoists as well as other features around the docks.

Goole Docks had five specially designed coal hoists that were capable of lifting the coal containers out from the water, and discharging them into waiting ships. Although now out of use, two of these huge coal handling machines still survive on the dockside.



Tug with a train of Tom Puddings



Tug Wheldale

We have a couple of places left—please contact Mike Walsh, Oliver Harrison, Stephen Walker or James Redfern if you would like to join us.

There is a café on site as well as an interesting museum collection so we are suggesting an arrival time of 12:00 to have time for a bite to eat and a look around.

The Tom Puddings were floating coal containers that were then coupled together into a long train and towed by barge down the river to unloading points such as at Ferrybridge Power Station and Goole Docks.



A surviving coal hoist